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**PRESS RELEASE**

Docket #: R.12-12-011

### **CPUC SOLICITS COMMENTS ON BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR TNC DRIVERS**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 22, 2016 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today solicited comments regarding whether the current method of conducting criminal background checks for Transportation Network Company (TNC) drivers is as effective as fingerprint-based criminal background checks. Members of the public are invited to comment online about whether TNC drivers should be fingerprinted at [www.cpuc.ca.gov/webform.aspx?ekfrm=11394](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/webform.aspx?ekfrm=11394).

To ensure that TNC services are provided in safe manner, the CPUC continues to consider the appropriate background checks that each licensed TNC should conduct on a driver before the driver is permitted to transport subscribing customers. In a Ruling issued today by Commissioner Liane M. Randolph, the Commissioner assigned to the CPUC's TNC proceeding, parties are asked to comment on a number of questions, such as whether individuals who apply to drive for more than one TNC should be required to undergo multiple background checks; who should bear the costs of a fingerprint-based background check; and are LiveScan sites readily accessible to potential drivers.

The Ruling with the list of questions is available at

<http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Efile/G000/M163/K484/163484523.PDF>.

This marks the first time that the public can comment on an issue via an online survey. Members of the public can also make comment through the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at: CPUC Public Advisor, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102, or via email to [public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov). Please refer to proceeding number R.12-12-011 on any written or email correspondence. All public comments received are provided to the CPUC's Commissioners and the Administrative Law Judge



assigned to the case.

Comments are due July 18, 2016, and reply comments are due August 1, 2016.

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